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Increasing cloudiness and warmth tonight Saturday, increasing somewhat colder by afternoon or night.

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HAMMOND, INDIANA

SEEK PEACE IN COUNTY'S BUILDING INDUSTRY DAZZLING SHRINE SHOW READY FOR GRAND OPENING

NEW YEAR'S EVE NIGHT BIG AFFAIR

Five Elephants are Helping to do the Heavy Work Today

Well fellers, they're all here.

The circus landed in town yesterday and everything's about ready for the opening of the big show Saturday evening—the best place in town for spending New Year's Eve.

The elephants, five of 'em, a camel, the herd of trained horses and the rest of Orak's menagerie slipped into Hammond over the Erie yesterday and was transferred without confusion to their places in the Masonic temple.

Kids opened their eyes in amazement and adult necks were craned as the groups of animals moved through the streets to the temple.

"Gosh, I didn't suppose there'd have regular animal at the circus," exclaimed one lad in an awestruck tone. "I just thought that was all bark and they'd have Hollis Hunter or some other fat Shriner dressed up that way for fun." He tore away to spread the news.

At the temple today all is bustle and rush. Amid the clatter of hammer and the confused noise of many voices hurrying hither and thither to hear the occasional trumpet of an elephant, the stamping of horses' hoofs, the braying of donkeys and the musical jumble that indicates a band is practising somewhere.

Hammond merchants are trying to outdo each other in the splendor of their style show booths. About everything that is sold in the city will be on display in the long lines of exhibits in the different rooms of the temple. The range is from gowns to automobiling.

Down in the basement the paraphernalia for the "Days of '49" is already in place. Calamity Jane's dance hall is there, as is Judge Lorch's court, the roulette and faro layouts, the bank and best of all millions of dollars in Orak currency.

The opening bomb for Orak's grand opening celebration will be set off at a o'clock Saturday afternoon. At that moment the big street parade will swing its 100 of the principal streets. Then will follow the matinee pageant for all in the temples and trappings of a regular circus parade will unfold—the animals, the glued parades, pantomime horses, lumbering elephants, hard working bands, clowns, acrobats and performers, all of them with names long familiar to the public. It will be a great place to spend New Year's Eve.

And after that comes the show which will last six days.

HARBOR MAN HELD BY POLICE

George Sveras, 327th and Beach sts., Indiana Harbor, is held by Hammond police in bonds of \$2,000 on charges of violating the state auto laws when he ran down a Bob-Hammond woman, resident of East Hammond, breaking her leg in three places, and sped away.

The accident is said to have occurred last night at 15th avenue and Columbia avenue. The woman, whose name police did not learn, had just stepped from the curb when Sveras, swerving around the corner at Columbia avenue struck her with his motor-cycle. He did not stop.

The arrest was made by Detectives Blomie, Singer, Carlson and Warner.

The prisoner faces a penitentiary sentence, police said today. If he is found guilty,

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R. R. OFFICIALS TAKE UP CROSSING BLOCKING

Representatives of Companies Meet With Mayor To Solve Trouble.

GIRLS COST CABARET TOO MUCH

Gary Bank Is Appointed Receiver for Hobart Inn as Result of Court Action

6 MILLION GALLONS ARE CONFISCATED

Forty Thousand Persons Arrested for Liquor Law Violations in 1921

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, I.N.S. SERVICE
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The ghost of John Barleycorn enters the new year wavering under a series of staggering blows struck by prohibition agents during 1921, according to internal revenue reports made available today.

The government forces confiscated 6,000,000 gallons of alcoholic beverages during 1921, the reports showed, while 10,000 persons were arrested for alleged violations. The convictions, it was counted out, were thirty times as large as in the preceding year.

The dry agents swept into their net property and liquor valued at \$12,000,000 in the last 12 months.

The most flagrant violations, the reports showed, occurred in New York, Ohio, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Delaware with but 23 gallons of liquor seized and 14 persons arrested was the best behaved while Longyear Kansas was a close second. Nevada and Vermont also showed marked tendency for peaceful enforcement of the law.

Bottleggers playing in beer faced the worst at the hands of dry agents. The government's beer confiscations totaled 1,000,000 gallons with 100,000 gallons of wine and 100,000 gallons of distilled spirits also seized.

The most valuable property was seized in Florida where \$2,250,000 worth of "bootleg" and paraphernalia, including stills, fell into the government's hands. New York ran a close second and Vermont also showed marked tendency for peaceful enforcement of the law.

Ohio led in the number of citizens arrested. Approximately 3,000 Ohioans were arrested during the year, while 2,000 were arrested in New York. Illinois ranked third in arrests with 2,000 while Massachusetts fourth with 2,200 and Texas next with 2,000. California and Missouri followed to a tie with 2,000 arrests.

New York was the "wetties" state in distilled liquors. Dry agents there seized approximately 60,700 gallons of distilled spirits during the year. California was second in this respect with 14,000 gallons seized.

California however, led all other states in the amount of wine and cider which fell into federal hands. These confiscations totaled 100,000 gallons. Virginia with 60,000 gallons seized, was second and Minnesota third with 45,000 gallons confiscated.

Who said "Slump"?

Net in Hammond. Business as usual in the business city in Indiana. Banks expand—business thrives.

Anouncement was made today of the latest bank expansion here. This is the Hammond Trust & Savings Bank.

At a meeting of the board of directors it was decided to raise the capital stock from \$50,000 to \$100,000 with an increase in earned surplus to \$25,000. New stock will be presented to present stock holders.

Expansion of the banks' quarters in the Hammond building will add 56 per cent to the working space of the institution. The directors' room has been removed from the front to the rear of the building. Where there were four gridded windows opening from four cases, there will now be seven from seven cases.

Safety deposit boxes will be increased to meet the heavy demand.

Decorating and refurnishing will be completed about January 15.

NO SLUMP AT THIS BANK

INLAND MILL RESUMES WORK ON SUNDAY

The Sheet mills of the Inland Steel Company which have been down since Friday, December 25, will resume operations Sunday night, January 1, according to an announcement posted by Supt. C. E. Potts of this department.

Another announcement stated that the Continuous mill would be restored to operations Monday morning, Jan. 2.

The Sheet department which has been running at capacity for the last three months, was shut down this week for cleaning and repairing of mills, but will again be returned to full operations the first of the year.

The Twenty-four inch structural mill and the sheet bar and billet mills of this plant with eight open hearths working, will bring the company's operations back better than fifty per cent for the new year.

And then within six days No. 2 plant, which has been converted into a tall mill, will commence working on large orders recently received from the New York Central and other railroad companies, placing the Indiana Harbor industry on the road to 1920 days and plant capacity operations.

TWO MORE APPOINTMENTS

VIS WILL PROSECUTE.

Contractors who persist in partially completing buildings under construction before taking out a building permit will be prosecuted, announced Henry Vis, building inspector today.

"I have been mighty lenient with the builders during the past four years in this respect," said Mr. Vis. "Henceforth I'm going to insist on the contractors carrying the plans up to the board of safety inspectors before work starts."

Herman Holtz has been re-appointed superintendent of Hammond public parks.

Well, there's the warning, Henry.

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MOVEMENT STARTS AT HAMMOND

"Contractors and Unions Must Live up to Their Contracts"

With Hammond on the verge of its greatest prosperity—a period of growth that may double the population in two years—the public demands that the building industry be unfettered.

There must be a higher tribunal than either the union chiefs or the building contractors. It shall be the duty of this new body to arbitrate fairly and squarely the wage differences and to demand the repeal of working restrictions that are wasteful and costly to the public.

This was the sentiment of a meeting of citizens at the Hammond Chamber of Commerce last evening at which by a unanimous vote the "Citizens' Committee" plan now operative in Chicago was decided upon and an invitation extended to East Chicago, Indiana Harbor, Whiting and Gary to join with Hammond in the movement.

The public is tired of building stagnation.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

The creation of a "Citizens' Committee" in Lake county will mean that all building crafts and the contractors will have a permanent board of arbitration and that public sentiment will expect them to submit their differences for adjudication whenever they fail to reach an amicable settlement.

No finding of the "Citizens' Committee" will be binding but once the contractors and unions have signed an agreement the committee will expect each party to fulfill its part of the contract.

The Chicago plan was outlined at the open meeting last night by Thomas M. Donnelly of B. R. Donnelly & Sons. Regarding the enforcement of agreements, he said:

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"Once the two sides have agreed upon a wage scale and working conditions the public has a right to see that both live up to that agreement."

WORKING CONDITIONS.

"There are working conditions that are more costly than wages," continued Mr. Donnelly. "It is nothing in the workmen's pocket that when the public is interested and when there is a difference between the unions and the contractors which they cannot settle without coming up building then the public is entitled to step in and demand arbitration."

H. A. Lamprell, Jesse Wilson, W. C. Belman and other prominent men spoke in favor of a Citizens' Committee.

There was not a contract man in the room who was not present and while one of them number expressed dissatisfaction with the Landis decision it was apparent that all believed in the principle that once an agreement is made both parties should live up to it until honorably relieved.

HANDSOME NEW HOME.

Frank Wachewitz, Hammond homebuilder, today took out a building permit for the construction of a nine-room, two-story brick veneer residence at 47 Waltham street.

It is being erected for Louis E. Klein, superintendent of the Wanner Manufacturing Iron Works.

The house will be one of the most modern in Hammond. Mr. Wachewitz stated. All up to date features will be included in its construction.

BANK MADE DEPOSITORY.

Officials of the West Hammond Trust & Savings Bank were pleased yesterday when a surprise deposit to \$75,000.

The account was placed in the thriving West Hammond institution by the park board of that city.

The money was received from sale of bonds for development of a park district.

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